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## New Hospital Construction Stirs Excitement...and Changes

Groundbreaking is just two months away for UCI Medical Center's new university hospital, a seven-story tower that will usher in new standards of patient comfort, state-of-the-art care, education and research.

The hospital will be built on the existing medical center grounds, requiring the demolition—now underway—of parking areas and an office building, all on the medical center's north side.

Patient care will continue uninterrupted at the hospital and outpatient facilities throughout construction, which is expected to be completed in late 2008. However, parking and traffic may be affected at times. Valet parking at a reduced price for patients will remain available on UCI Medical Center Drive, but there may be a wait at times of heavy use.

Because of the construction, patients and others visiting the medical center should allow extra time for travel and parking. The medical center staff thanks patients and visitors for their understanding during this time of transformation.

The new \$371 million hospital will have 191 beds, with space for future expansion. This is in addition to the existing 102 beds in the medical center's tower and the 84-bed Neuropsychiatric Center. Further, the new hospital will have 13 operating rooms and three interventional procedure rooms, all designed to support the latest technology in medical care.

For information about UCI Medical Center's campaign to transform the future of health care, please call 714-456-3768 or visit [www.ucihealth.com/newhospital](http://www.ucihealth.com/newhospital).